THE DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC

of

THE UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA

presents

JAMES PARKER

PIANO

Friday, October 26, 1984 at 12:15 p.m. Convocation Hall, Old Arts Building

PROGRAMME

Sonata Op. 27 No. 2 in C# - ("Moonlight") Ludwig van Beethoven Adagio sostenuto Allegretto Presto agitato

(1770 - 1827)

"In the Stillness of the Seventh Autumn"

Brian Cherney* (b. 1942)

Ballade No. 1 in G-, Opus 23

Frédéric Chopin (1810 - 1849)

Three Movements from "Petrouchka"

Igor Stravinsky (1882 - 1971)

Russian Dance
In Petrouchka's Room

(3) Shrovetide Fair

^{*} Brian Cherney "Commissioned for the 1984 Eckhardt-Gramatte National Music Competition with the generous assistance of the Canada Council."

BIOGRAPHY

James Parker is a 21 year old pianist from Burnaby, B.C. He is currently completing his Bachelor of Music Degree at the University of British Columbia. Since starting piano at age 4, James has won over 200 First Place awards in Vancouver area music festivals culminating in his winning First Place in the Senior Piano Division of the National Competitive Festival of Music held in Edmonton in 1981.

Mr. Parker received both the ARCT Performers Degree from the Royal Conservatory of Toronto (1978) and the LTCL Diploma from the Trinity College of London (1979) with First Class Honours, while a student of his uncle Edward J. Parker. He was also awarded the Performance Diploma of the Vancouver Academy of Music in 1981 while studying with Kum-Sing Lee, with whom he continues his piano studies both at the Vancouver Academy and at U.B.C. James has been granted scholarships yearly from the B.C. Cultural Fund since 1979, and several musical scholarships from the Vancouver Academy and the university.

Mr. Parker has taken advanced piano Master Classes at the Banff Centre School of Fine Arts with Marek Jablonski for seven consecutive summers on scholarship. While at Banff, he has performed both the Prokofiev No. 1 and the Rachmaninov No. 2 piano concertos with the Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra. An accomplished chamber music performer, James participated in the Chamber Music course at Banff this June. In July he was heard in solo piano performance at the Banff Centre which was recorded for the CBC Front Row Centre program broadcast on July 29, 1984.

In 1983, as winner of the U.B.C. Concerto Competition, Mr. Parker performed the Bb Minor Tchaikovsky Piano Concerto with the U.B.C. Symphony Orchestra. On May 5, 1984, James won First Place in the 8th S. C. Eckhardt-Gramatte Competition as well as Best Performance Award of the test piece.

Today's concert appearance by Mr. Parker is part of his eleven-city recital tour across Canada sponsored by the S. C. Eckhardt-Gramatte National Musical Competition of Brandon, Manitoba.